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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS BUILDING HABS No. OH-2316

Location: Court and Fifth Streets, Portsmouth, Scioto County, Ohio

Significance: The I.O.O.F. Building is a rare surviving example in Portsmouth of a nearly intact Italianate structure.

Description: This sizable, three-story, brick building has a hipped roof. Seven windows punctuate the principal facade at the second and third stories. The windows are topped by alternating round and flat pediments, broken by a central, semi-circular element. The three doorways of the first floor alternate with windows. Doorways and windows are framed by stone columns, which appear to derive from the Tuscan column. The columns are topped by a plain entablature.

History: Organized in 1844, the I.O.O.F. built this lodge building around 1880. The building is not in good condition.

For more information, see HABS No. OH-2309, the William Hall House.

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